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Rm. 412 - Megazina Maly.

DATE: 10/4/69

FROM

SUBJECT: Comments on Suggestion to Employ Video Tape Communications System

Attached is a commentary covering most of the points of the proposed video tape communications system. In some areas we have provided in-depth discussions for the benefit of the reader unable to keep up with the trends and technological changes in the field of closed-circuit television. Other areas that contained information that was generally known and accepted have been only lightly touched upon, sometimes just enough to indicate that they were considered in our reply.

The author of the suggestion is to be congratulated upon the thoroughness and keen analysis of the problem of getting full value and utilization of visual means in our communications. The suggestion, as we see it, is good. The only drawback, if it can be considered one, is that the suggestor is ahead of most of us. Until we can lick the tape compatibility problem, it would be hard to even partially use such a system.

To do justice to the exceptionably fine presentation of ideas of the suggestor, we have reviewed our own programs and plans in OTR. We are afraid we are also guilty of looking too far ahead in regards to the applications of Agency television employment but it is reassuring to know we are not alone in these ideas.

We wish the suggestor the best of luck and it was a pleasure to be allowed to review such a carefully prepared plan.

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